

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 31-38 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. Please add new claims 39-54 as follows.

39. A signal receiving apparatus comprising:

- a receiver operable to receive a digital modulated signal;
- a demodulator operable to demodulate the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- a decoder operable to decode the data stream to an HDTV signal;
- a controller operable to examine the quality of the data stream; and
- an output unit operable to output the HDTV signal and to stop outputting the HDTV signal after the quality of the data stream continues being lower than a predetermined acceptable quality for a predetermined period of time.

40. A signal receiving apparatus according to claim 39, further comprising a display operable to display the HDTV signal.

41. A signal receiving apparatus comprising:

- a receiver operable to receive a digital modulated signal;
- a demodulator operable to demodulate the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- a decoder operable to decode the data stream to an HDTV signal;
- a controller operable to detect an error rate of the data stream; and
- an output unit operable to output the HDTV signal and to stop outputting the HDTV signal after the error rate of the data stream continues being higher than a predetermined error rate for a predetermined period of time.

42. A signal receiving apparatus according to claim 41, further comprising a display operable to display the HDTV signal.

43. A signal receiving method comprising:

- receiving a digital modulated signal;

- demodulating the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- decoding the data stream to an HDTV signal;
- examining the quality of the data stream; and
- outputting the HDTV signal and stopping outputting the HDTV signal after the quality of the data stream continues being lower than a predetermined acceptable quality for a predetermined period of time.

44. A signal receiving method according to claim 43, further comprising displaying the HDTV signal.

45. A signal receiving method comprising:
- receiving a digital modulated signal;
- demodulating the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- decoding the data stream to an HDTV signal;
- detecting an error rate of the data stream; and
- outputting the HDTV signal and stopping outputting the HDTV signal after the error rate of the data stream continues being higher than a predetermined error rate for a predetermined period of time.

46. A signal receiving method according to claim 45, further comprising a display operable to display the HDTV signal.

47. A signal receiving apparatus comprising:
- a receiver operable to receive a digital modulated signal;
- a demodulator operable to demodulate the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- a decoder operable to decode the data stream to a TV signal;
- a controller operable to examine the quality of the data stream; and
- an output unit operable to output the TV signal and to stop outputting the TV signal after the quality of the data stream continues being lower than a predetermined acceptable quality for a predetermined period of time.

48. A signal receiving apparatus according to claim 47, further comprising a display operable to display the TV signal.

49. A signal receiving apparatus comprising:

- a receiver operable to receive a digital modulated signal;
- a demodulator operable to demodulate the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- a decoder operable to decode the data stream to a TV signal;
- a controller operable to detect an error rate of the data stream; and
- an output unit operable to output the TV signal and to stop outputting the TV signal after the error rate of the data stream continues being higher than a predetermined error rate for a predetermined period of time.

50. A signal receiving apparatus according to claim 49, further comprising a display operable to display the TV signal.

51. A signal receiving method comprising:

- receiving a digital modulated signal;
- demodulating the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- decoding the data stream to a TV signal;
- examining the quality of the data stream; and
- outputting the TV signal and stopping outputting the TV signal after the quality of the data stream continues being lower than a predetermined acceptable quality for a predetermined period of time.

52. A signal receiving method according to claim 51, further comprising displaying the TV signal.

53. A signal receiving method comprising:

- receiving a digital modulated signal;

- demodulating the digital modulated signal to a data stream;
- decoding the data stream to a TV signal;
- detecting an error rate of the data stream; and
- outputting the TV signal and stopping outputting the TV signal after the error rate of the data stream continues being higher than a predetermined error rate for a predetermined period of time.

54. A signal receiving method according to claim 53, further comprising a display operable to display the TV signal.